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VIOLETTE ASSOCIATION

Considerable time has elapsed since the last regular newsletter. I constantly keep hoping to hear from the IRS in regard to our tax exempt status. Several items of correspondence have been received but the final notification has not yet been received. Rather than delay any longer in keeping our lines of communication open, I decided to use the regular mail once again.

Undoubtedly you've all received the "Special Bulletin" announcing the 2nd reunion. August 4th is being looked upon with great anticipation. The committee has informed me that the plans are well underway and the day promises to be another memorable one. Articles pertaining to the reunion have appeared in nearly all the Maine newspapers. Once again I am being bombarded with letters. My records on the Violettes are increasing daily. Incidently, our speaker for the reunion is really someone special. The next bulletin on the reunion will announce the speaker and give you the details of the day.

Another little one has been added to the long list of Francois' descendants. Joy Violette McCabe and Lawrence McCabe #30 & 31 proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Jane Mary Ann, in March, 1979. Congratulations to all of you.

Several of our people have also passed on to eternal life: on October 25, 1978, Cecile Cloutier Violette of Passadumkeag, Maine, wife of Yvon Violette #325; on January 11, 1979, Laura Picard Violette of Skowhegan, Maine, mother of Yvonne Violette Lagasse #187, Anne Violette Goodwin #192, Viola Violette Morin #326, Delia Violette King #309; on March 2, 1979, George Violette of Drummond, New Brunswick, father of Nicole Violette Laforge #301 and sister of Edna Violette #297 and brother of Philippe Violette #308; in March, Nellie Violette Grondin of Augusta, Maine, sister of Maurice Violette #14, Addie Violette Wentworth #43, Jeanette Violette Betit #52, Edgard Violette #136 and Anthony Violette #284; on April 5, Anthony Violette #284 of Augusta, Maine, brother of the above and husband of Violet St. Pierre Violette #285. As far as we are aware, Anthony is the first member of the Violette Association to pass on. Our sincere condolences and prayers go out to the families of the deceased.

Those of you who purchased the Souvenir Booklet of the Violette Reunion will recall that there were a few untraceables amongst our guests. Two are no longer untraceable. Thanks to some of our readers, we can now list them in the proper place. Violet Parent Seymour should be listed under Augustin & Rose Michaud. Jeanne Violette Ricci should be listed under Laurent & Elizabeth Cyr.

Did any of you see Darlene Violette's picture in the Boston Herald a short time ago? Darlene was in Winter Haven, Florida taking pictures of the Boston Red Sox. Darlene lives in Taunton, Ma. and is the daughter of Ida Alegi Violette #85. Both mother and daughter attended the reunion.

Also seen in the Boston Herald was the picture of Dr. Roger Violette #53 and his wife, Jeanne Castonguay Violette #54, of Fall River, Ma. The doctor and his

have donated funds for education aid at Southeastern Massachusetts University. In recognition of their gift, the trustees are to designate the research building in honor of the donors. Ceremonies to name the building for the donors have tentatively been set for 1982 on the occasion of the Violette's 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to both of you. It is indeed a pleasure to have you among us.

Theodore Violette #39 of Somerset, Ma. also has quite an accomplishment to be proud of. Since his retirement, Theodore has built an active solar system for his home. He has put solar collectors behind the house, and a stone filled bin in the basement. It has been in operation for three years and has saved him one third of all his fuel bills. This was certainly time put to good use.

I would like to share with all of you something cute that took place shortly after the reunion. A cousin of Rita Violette Lippé (not the Violette line) works in a shoe store in Canada. A customer bought a pair of shoes and wanted to pay for them with a personal check she was writing out. The clerk noticed and informed the customer that personal checks were no accepted. As she was doing so, she noticed the name Violette on the check. She then struck up a conversation, discussing the reunion etc. The customer had heard about the reunion but had not attended. She stated that she had heard many favorable comments on the reunion and was sorry she had not attended. The clerk then said: "Since your name is Violette, I think I can make an exception and accept your check."

Bumper stickers are available by writing to the Association at 32 Louise Ave., Methuen, Ma. 01844. They read My Roots Are Violette. The lettering is violet on a white background. The cost is $1.00 plus .15 postage. Once the initial investment is recovered, the profits will go to the Association and hopefully give us a little boost.

Since the December newsletter, we can now boast 31 new members, bringing the total members to 328. We now have members from 18 States which include: Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut, New Hampshire, New York, Arizona, Rhode Island, California, Florida, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Oregon, Michigan, Minnesota, Virginia, West Virginia and Washington. We also have member from Rome and the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick. We certainly are growing at a good pace.

Please continue to keep the news items coming for the newsletters. Your continued enthusiasm and interest is needed to keep us going.

See you all on August the 4th.

"We Are One"

Rita Violette Lippé

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133 Arthur Bilodeau, 83 Bridge St., Augusta, Maine
134 Neil Lemieux, Memorial Dr., Winthrop, Maine
135 Mary Watson Lemieux, Memorial Dr., Winthrop, Maine
136 Edgard Violette, 157 Northern Ave., Augusta, Maine
137 Dorothy Bertrand Violette, 157 Northern Ave., Augusta, Maine
138 Alice Cyr Violette, 1 No. 18th Ave., Madawaska, Maine
139 James Violette, 714 West Main St., Madawaska, Maine
140 Jackie Ringuette Violette, 714 West Main St., Madawaska, Maine
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142 Almire Charette Violette, 31 Nottingham Ter., Waterbury, Conneeticut

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147 Carlotta S. Violette, 1262 Dixwell Ave., Hamden, Connecticut
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149 Walter McAleer, 35 Military Ave., Fairfield, Maine
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151 Leonard Clavette, 61 Hospital St., Augusta, Maine
152 Pauline Vaillancourt Desrochers, 21 Rouen, Touraine, P. Q. Canada
153 Jean Marc Desrochers, 21 Rouen, Touraine, P.Q. Danada
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155 Rita Vaillancourt, 860 N. Mann St., Tucson, Arizona
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157 Thelma Emerson Violette, 98 Stanwood St., Providence, Rhode Island
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160 Paul Guimond, 30 Pershing Dr., Plainville, Connecticut
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163 Beverly Poulin, 18 P St., Hampston Beach, New Hampshire
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169 Francis Hogan, 9 Downfall Rd., Byfield, Massachusetts
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171 Madeline Marcheterre Violette, 10 Arlington St., Lynn, Massachusetts
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174 Charles Nishan, 88 Penny Brook Rd., Lynn, Massachusetts
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